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Fort Almanac—July 29.

Sun Rises	5 04 A M
Sun Sets	7.07 P M
Day's Length	14 h 03 m
High Water at Southport	7.00 A M
High Water at Wilmington	8 50 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., July 29.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 77. 8 p. m., 88°; maximum, 90°; minimum, 74°; mean, 82°.

Rainfall for the day, trace; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 4.85.

Weather conditions for twelve hours ended at 8 p. m. July 28th, furnished by the Weather Bureau office:

A trough of moderate low pressure overlies the coast States from North Carolina to the lower lakes, with unsettled weather and showers prevailing under it. The barometer is falling over the central Western valleys, while it continues high over the States of the Mississippi valley and Florida. Fair weather prevails generally, except over the Atlantic coast States. High mid-day temperatures continue, with a large warm wave over the central West. Local thunder showers occurred over most States along the Atlantic, being heavy at New York, 1.50 inches.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Light to heavy rains fell over the Atlantic and Gulf coast States during the past twenty-four hours. High mid-day temperatures were reported Tuesday, but it was generally cooler east of the Mississippi river in the morning. Heavy rainfalls are reported as follows: Bainbridge, Ga., 1.74; Mobile, Ala., 1.96, Amite, La., 1.84; Brenham, Tex., 2.80 inches. The maximum temperature at Wilmington was 88 degrees; Charlotte, 88; Goldsboro, 90, Weldon, 91; Greensboro, 93.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair; west to northwest winds.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., July 27.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 7.0 feet.

OUTLINES.

President McKinley left Washington yesterday for a vacation that may last six weeks. —— Secretary Long has taken preliminary steps to ascertain the cost of establishing a government armor plant. —— U. S. Minister Woodford sailed yesterday for Madrid, Spain. —— B. F. Kivett and W. W. Kivett, brothers, were shot and killed by W. Lamden in a stock broker's office at Waco, Texas. —— British forces in South Africa in an affair with natives killed a noted chief and took several hundred prisoners. —— Severe shocks of earthquake were felt yesterday at noon in several of the West Indian islands —— Mr. J. C Martin and Mrs. Geo. C. Smith and son were drowned while fishing in a pond near Jarretts, Va. —— An English syndicate has closed a deal for coal mines in East Tennessee; the price approaches five million dollars. —— The fifth biennial session of the English Lutheran Synod convened in Baltimore. —— President McKinley has promulgated amendments to civil service rules governing customs and internal revenue offices. —— The Democratic State Convention of Maryland met and nominated a State ticket; the platform declares for bimetallism and denounces the Dingley tariff. —— The Populist State Convention of Virginia is in session at Roanoke. —— In a row in a colored Baptist church in Montgomery Ala., while a congress of ministers was in session, Prof. P. H. Patterson, a prominent leader among the colored people, was shot and killed by a negro; the murderer was arrested. —— Henry Crosby committed suicide in Starke county, Fla., caused by despondency at failure of business plans; his wife also attempted to kill herself but her life was saved. —— A sensational murder trial is in progress at Atlanta, Ga. —— The conference of coal operators adopted an agreement for cash payment of wages, etc., but want it distinctly understood that the agreement has nothing to do with the great strike of miners. —— An old and respected citizen of Mobile, Ala., was murdered last night by a negro; people were excited and militia were ordered out to prevent a lynching. —— The general strike situation is less encouraging for the miners; trouble is threatened at Roanoke, Ill. —— A railroad wreck near Reno, Nev., yesterday resulted in the death of six Indians; a number of others were injured. —— A passenger train wrecked on the St. Louis Air Line and a number of persons killed. —— A steamer left San Francisco yesterday for the Alaska gold fields; three times the original price was offered for tickets. —— Exchange advanced in the City of Mexico to 122 and 125 per cent. premium; bankers believe there will be a better price for silver soon. —— Two respectable ladies have been arrested at Guanabacoa by Weyler, charged with hiding ammunition for the insurgents. —— New York markets: Money on call was steady at 1 per cent., last loan at 1 and closed offered at 1 per cent.; cotton quiet—middling 7 15 16c; flour dull but lower to sell at the close; wheat—spot steady; corn spot steady and more active; No. 2 33½c at elevator and 35½c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1 57½@1.60; spirits turpentine firm at 27½@28c.

It was the industrious, irrepressible little curculio that did the business for the Delaware peach.

The Kansas couple who were married at midnight, the coroner officiating, probably wanted to keep it a dead secret.

Queen Victoria reads at least some of those published rumors about her contemplated abdication, but she doesn't believe a single one of them.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

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Peter McNally, a former Boston boy, undertook the feat of swimming the British channel the other day, from Dover to Calais. He made the distance of thirty five miles in fifteen hours; although the water became quite cool as he neared the French side, and the weather foggy. A thirty-five mile swim in fifteen hours in any kind of weather isn't bad.

The New York *Sun*, which since last Fall has been shining for McKinley and Hanna, is surprised that Messrs. Hill and Whitney should be wasting their time in trying to build up the Democratic party, and advises them to follow its example and go right over with all their trappings to the Republican party, as so many so-called Democrats did last Fall—and fell from grace.

They say a French genius has solved the problem of utilizing the web of the common spider, by an invention for spinning and weaving it, and has won a prize of $5,000 offered by the Manufacturers' Union of London. Heretofore the work of the spider has not been much appreciated save as an illustation of mathematical and artistic constructive skill.

They are beginning to find flaws in the new tariff. A San Francisco man calls attention to the fact that in one section currants are subjected to a duty of 25 cents a bushel and in another to 2 cents a pound. But the current opinion is that the job is full of flaws a good deal worse than this; it is an aggregation of flaws.

J. C. Crofton, of Santa Barbara, Cal., doesn't ride hobbies but according to a travelling leather goods man of St. Louis he rides the daisiest saddle in the United States, which has cost him thus far $3,000, and, being rich, he is constantly adding something to it to increase its value.

Prince Takehito, the adopted son of the Mikado of Japan, is visiting this country. Takehito is a high toned fellow and quite sensible. He doesn't talk much, nor say much when he talks, on international questions that may beget rackets.

Chicago burglars are becoming very bold. They recently burglarized and made a clean sweep of one of the gambling houses of that city notwithstanding the police protection these institutions are supposed to have.

Brewers say the consumption of beer has fallen off this year and they seem to be puzzled to account for it. Some of them charge the bicycle with it, but perhaps the saloon fellows didn't load the schooners so heavy.

Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, was originally a horse doctor in Canada. If he wasn't a better horse doctor than he is a law doctor Canada didn't lose much when he migrated to New Hampshire.

James R. Keene, of New York, who has made and lost several fortunes, struck a sweet streak in sugar when the speculation was on several days ago and scooped in $2,000,000. He is still keen.

As one of the proofs of returning prosperity in the West some of the Republican organs calls attention to the fact that farmers are buying organs. The agents are working them on the installment plan.

The Ohio papers are telling about a man in that State whose mind has been a blank for a month. He probably became dazed at not getting that Government job he expected.

The New York *Times* says "the Gold Democracy has a future." Maybe it has, and maybe it will feel mighty lonesome and otherwise uncomfortable when it gets there.

It is right hard to keep true lovers apart. A Pennsylvania man aged 81, who is a widower, met an old flame aged 73, who was twice a widow, and they went right off and got married.

The impression was that Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe was in comfortable circumstances, but it is now stated that she was penniless when she died.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 30 cents. tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. C. L.—General notice.
W. B COOPER—New catch mullets.
SAM'L BEAR, SR.—2,000 bushels corn.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— An excursion from Salisbury will be run into this city on Aug. 12th.

— Seven bales of cotton were received at this port yesterday. The price still holds up.

— A runaway horse attached to a road-cart caused some excitement yesterday afternoon on Market street near Second.

— To-morrow afternoon at Hilton the Atlantic Coast Line and O. A. N. ball teams will battle for victory, and the contest will be both an interesting and exciting one.

— In connection with the eclipse to day it may be mentioned that Mr. Eugene S Martin, of this city, has next to the largest telescope in the State owned by an individual.

— The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs R. R. Love was buried yesterday at half-past ten o'clock at Mullins, Mrs. Love's former home. Mr. Love will return to the city to-day.

— Persons living in the vicinity of Giblem Lodge complain of the noise made there at late hours by a band of colored minstrels. It is hoped that prompt action will be taken to put a stop to the nuisance.

— Taking effect August 1st, the Atlantic Coast Line morning train will leave Wilmington at 9.35 a. m, instead of 9 00 a. m., and for the South at 4.00 p. m. instead of 3.40 p. m. The morning train from the North will arrive Wilmington 9 30 a. m. instead of 9 45 a. m.

— The members of the Carolina Cycle Club will take a trip to the Sound to-night at 7 30 o'clock, returning at 11 o'clock. The start will be made from corner of Seventh and Market streets, and the members of the club are requested to meet at that place at 7.15 o'clock.

— As the result of a magistrate's trial Ama Simons and Joseph Michaels, two Syrians, yesterday attempted to get married, but the brother of the would-be bride appeared on the scene and forbid the union. The girl, Ama Simons, being under seventeen years of age, a marriage license was refused the couple, and so the wedding was declared off.

MOONSHINERS IN LENOIR.

Distillery Destroyed by Revenue Raiders —One of the Officers Shot and Painfully Wounded.

A correspondent of the STAR writing from Kinston, July 28th, says: "Having received information as to the whereabouts of a "moonshine" distillery located in Lenoir county, near Seven Springs, last night Deputy United States Marshal R. C. Hill, accompanied by Messrs. Geo. Rhodes, J. F. Dupree and Trumbo Harper, made a raid and captured the whole outfit which they destroyed. However, they were fired on from the bushes, five buckshot striking Harper in the neck and chest, producing painful wounds, though it is not thought that they will prove fatal. No arrests were made."

To Connect the W., N. & N. With the Atlantic Coast Line.

A route for a few miles of railroad to connect the former Wilmington, Newbern and Norfolk railroad with the Wilmington and Weldon, was located yesterday.

The connecting line will be two and a half miles long, leaving the W., N. & N. road at the three-mile post and joining the W. & W. road near the point where it crosses Smith's creek.

The route is of course subject to change, if necessary to secure the right of way at reasonable terms. The object of the connecting line is to admit passengers and freight over the Wilmington and Newbern road into the Atlantic Coast Line depots.

W. & N. Railroad Company.

Mr. J. R. Kenly, general manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, gives notice that, commencing Monday, August 2d, the freight business of the Wilmington and Newbern Railroad Company, formerly the Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk Railroad Company, will be conducted at the freight warehouses of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company.

The passenger business will be conducted at the present passenger station until further notice.

There will be no change at present in the schedules of trains.

Solar Eclipse To-day.

A solar eclipse will be visible here and in all other sections of the United States to-day. It will begin at half past 8 o'clock this morning. At twelve minutes past 9 o'clock people who should not have availed themselves of the opportunity of witnessing it will have to wait for another.

The Firemen's Tournament.

Fayetteville *Observer*. "The local firemen estimate that from six to eight hundred firemen from this and other States will take part in the coming tournament, and that thousands of visitors will flock here from abroad. They say it will be three times as great as any similar event ever held in the State."

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 30 cent

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

CRIMINAL COURT.

Case Against George Johnson for Criminal Assault Continued to Next Term—The Styron-Thompson Case to be Tried To-day.

The Criminal Court will adjourn *sine die* this morning at 11 o'clock.

Court yesterday morning convened at 9 o'clock and the case against Henry Styron and Fletcher Thompson, charged with sending in a false alarm of fire, the trial of which commenced the day before, was called.

Jno. D. Bellamy, Esq., one of the counsel for the defence, addressing the Court, made motion for the proceedings to be quashed, as the statute under which the defendants were indicted (chapter 408, Public Laws of North Carolina of 1893) was framed in the following words: "that any person or persons wilfully and wantonly sending, etc.," while in the bill of indictment the word "unlawfully" appeared.

Marsden Bellamy, Esq., counsel, representing Solicitor Richardson in the prosecution, stated that he had noticed the defect in the bill of indictment, and intended asking the Court's permission to amend it.

Judge Sutton stated that he, too, had noticed the defect, and as the counsel for the defence had moved to quash the proceedings, he would do so, but would hold the prisoners until another bill of indictment could be prepared and sent to the grand jury. His Honor further stated that unless the bill was prepared and submitted to the grand jury before they adjourned for the term that he would take the two defendants' personal recognizances for their appearance at the next regular term of the Court.

Marsden Bellamy, Esq., however, assured the Court that the bill of indictment would be immediately drawn.

Geo. Johnson, charged with criminal assault, was next arraigned, to be tried for his life. Solicitor Richardson stated that the State was not ready to go to trial, as several witnesses had to be summoned from Sampson county, and he would therefore ask for a continuance of the case until next term. The Court granted the State's request.

About 10 o'clock the case against H. C. Hayes, colored, charged with attempting to practice abortion, was taken up and held the Court's attention until 7.10 o'clock in the afternoon. The defendant was represented by Jno. D. Bellamy and Herbert McClammy, Esqs., while Solicitor Richardson was assisted in the prosecution by C. P. Lockey, Esq. The case was given to the jury at 7 o'clock, and up to an early hour this morning they had not returned a verdict.

One other case was disposed of during the morning session, Henry Wright and Lee Handon, charged with attempting to break in Mr. C. W. Yates' store a short while ago. The case against Wright was not pressed, and a verdict of not guilty entered as to Handon. Handon was arrested on Wright's statement and bound over to the Criminal Court by Justice Bunting on Wright's testimony. Upon being called to the witness stand yesterday Wright denied making any such statement, and the Court ordered him held in custody and advised the solicitor to send a bill of indictment to the grand jury charging Wright with perjury.

Court at 7.15 o'clock took a recess until 9 30 o'clock this morning.

Before adjournment the counsel representing Styron and Thompson asked the Court for information in regard to the trial of the case, as a true bill had been found. Judge Sutton replied that the matter would be taken up this morning.

Arm Broken.

Misfortunes never come singly. Yesterday morning about 11 o'clock while Mr. J. J. Taylor was inspecting his shop on Market street to see what damage had been done by the fire, he fell from a ladder and broke his left arm at a point just below the shoulder. He had borrowed the ladder from Mr. S. W. Sanders only a few minutes before and was standing on it preparing to take down an unused shutter on the East side of the building, when he lost his balance and fell a distance of several feet, striking his arm and shoulder against some steps beneath.

Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy was called by telephone and the patient was taken to his office in Mr. S. W. Sanders' buggy. In a short while Mr. Taylor was down the street again with his arm in a bandage. It will be nine or ten weeks before he can use it.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—1 bale cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 27 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—5 bales cotton, 65 casks spirits turpentine, 190 bbls rosin, 45 bbls tar, 5 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—95 casks spirits turpentine, 35 bbls rosin, 18 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—1 bale cotton, 36 casks spirits turpentine, 11 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 7 bales; spirits turpentine, 136 casks; rosin, 295 bbls; tar, 56 bbls; crude turpentine, 50 bbls.

May Go on a Cruise After All.

There has been some uneasiness among the members of the Naval Reserves as to the probability that there would be no cruise this year. But it turns out now that there may be a cruise after all. Lieutenant Commander Geo. L. Morton has returned after a three weeks' absence, during which he was busy concerting plans for the cruise. Just at present his plans cannot be given out, but they will be made known in due time, and there is good reason to believe that they will materialize into a cruise that will be fully as successful as any previous one.

YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

The Loss and Insurance in the Market Street Fire—A Blaze in the Woods—Fire Corner Water and Chestnut Streets—Three Small Dwellings on Wright Street Destroyed.

Mr. W. S. Walker's stock of plumbers' supplies, destroyed in the fire early yesterday morning (as told in the STAR), was insured for $900, but Mr. J. J. Jackson's stock in his shoe-shop was not insured.

The alarm from box 47, Third and Wooster streets, yesterday morning, was on account of the woods in the suburbs being on fire. No damage resulted.

In the afternoon, about 2.30 o'clock, a quantity of cotton samples in the office of Mr. Edmund Lilly, cotton commission merchant, in the building northwest corner of Water and Chesnut streets, caught fire and an alarm was sent in from box 38, but the services of the department were not required, as the flames were suppressed before the arrival of the engines and reels, with only slight damage. A couple of office boys, with a lighted candle, were responsible for the fire.

Last night, at 9 30 o'clock, an alarm was sent in from box 47, Third and Wooster streets, and for the fourth time yesterday the department turned out. The fire was located in a one-story frame dwelling (unoccupied), on Wright street between Second and Third, owned by Mr. John Taylor. The fire communicated to two one-story frame dwellings, and all three houses in a short time were a mass of flames, which the firemen succeeded in suppressing after more than two hours' work. All three houses, the property of Mr. Jno. Taylor, were insured.

Several other houses in proximity caught fire, but the work of the firemen saved them before any great amount of damage was done. Two of the houses damaged by fire were occupied respectively by Thomas Washington and Washington Howe, colored. Some delay was caused the department by the alarm being sent in from box 47, instead of from box 49, Dawson and Surry streets, or box 413, Kidder's mill.

There is little doubt but that the conflagation was the work of firebugs. A colored woman states that she saw a man run away from the three burned houses just previous to the fire.

BASE BALL.

The National League—Result of Yesterday's Games and Other Interesting Features.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Boston, 8; St. Louis, 1.
Baltimore, 14, Washington, 7.
Cincinnati, 6; Chicago, 3.
Cleveland, 14; New York, 8.
Brooklyn, 13, Louisville, 3.
Philadelphia, 18; Pittsburg, 3.
Philadelphia, 6; Pittsburg, 5.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO DAY.

Baltimore at Washington.
Pittsburg at Chicago.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Cent
Boston	54	24	.692
Cincinnati	49	26	.653
Baltimore	49	26	.653
New York	45	31	.592
Cleveland	43	34	.558
Philadelphia	40	43	.487
Pittsburg	35	43	.454
Chicago	37	45	.451
Brooklyn	34	44	.435
Louisville	35	46	.432
Washington	29	46	.386
St. Louis	19	61	.237

New York started out like a winner yesterday; making eight hits and seven runs on Young the first inning, but after that could do nothing, while the Indians pounded both Seymour and Meckin.

Poor fielding and bad base running were responsible for the Senators' defeat yesterday, but mainly on account of McJames' weak and ineffective pitching in the ninth.

In the Cincinnati-Chicago game yesterday Irwin accepted eleven chances at third.

Boston walked all over the Browns yesterday, and played a superior game.

Narrow Escape from Injury.

Yesterday morning the phaeton of Mr. John S. Armstrong, containing three young ladies and the driver, was turning into Market street from Front, and Mr. Matt Bremer was walking up Front. Both the pedestrian and the occupants of the phaeton were looking at the capers of Chief Schnibben's horse, or the accident which followed could easily have been avoided.

Mr. Bremer was thrown down and caught under the vehicle, when Mr. Albert Solomon, who saw the accident, ran out of his store and seized and stopped the horse, while Mr. Henry Newman extricated Mr. Bremer from his uncomfortable position beneath the phaeton. No injuries were sustained further than the shock and a few bruises.

The Cock-Pit.

Hacks and other vehicles were kept busy yesterday going to and from the cock-pit of the North Carolina Live Stock and Poultry Association, near East Wilmington, where a main between Charlotte and Littleton commenced yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Seven battles were fought yesterday, one of which was disputed, and the other six Charlotte and Littleton divided even upon. The main will be concluded to-day with eight fights. Several back fights are also scheduled.

Sandy's a Dandy.

The Maxton correspondent of the *Robesonian* says: "Mr. A. J. McKinnon is not only a good horseman, but he is making a reputation as a successful farmer. He has a field of ten acres in cotton, which, so people say who know, will make twelve bales of cotton. It is decidedly the finest cotton in this section."

Let the Star Follow You.

STAR subscribers who are going away for the Summer will receive the paper regularly by mail by leaving orders for it at this office. Addresses will be changed as often as desired.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. W. J. Mallard, of Hampstead, was here yesterday.

— Mr. Willie Furlong has been quite sick for two weeks.

— Mr. W. L. Parsons, of Rockingham, was here yesterday.

— Mr. A. S. Uzzle, of Raleigh, was one of the arrivals yesterday.

— Editor D. H. Harnley, of Chadbourn, arrived in the city yesterday.

— Jno. L. Bridgers, Esq., of Tarboro, arrived in the city last evening.

— Mr. W. L. Hatsell, of Newbern, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. H. French, of Rocky Point, is at the Seashore Hotel for a week or two.

— Mr. H. C. Bridgers, of the firm of R. L. Bridgers & Bro., Bladenboro, was here yesterday, calling on the wholesale merchants.

— Dr. J. P. Monroe, of Davidson, Mr. Claude Matthews, of Charlotte, and Capt. W. E. Ardrey, of Mecklenburg, are among our seaside visitors.

— Mr. H. L. Fry, of Greensboro, Chief Engineer of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, arrived yesterday accompanied by Mrs. Fry.

— Kinston *Press*: Mrs. J. C. Wagner returned Monday from Wilmington, accompanied by Mrs. J. J. Darlington and Mrs. Geo. D. Hewlett, of Wilmington.

— Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Page, of Rockingham, Mrs. A. McQueen and children, Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Oliver, of Rowland, are registered at the Ocean View Hotel.

— Mr. A. J. Derr, postmaster at Cowan's Ford, Catawba county, is among the Mecklenburg veterans. He lost a leg at Chancellorsville and engaged in several other bloody conflicts.

— Mr. John D. Southerland, one of Duplin's most popular citizens, who has been here several weeks on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. J. J. Kelly, will leave for his home at Kenansville this morning.

— Capt. A. D. Brown and daughter, Miss Maggie, have returned from Red Springs, where they spent five days. Capt. Brown says the crop prospects in the country through which he passed are splendid.

— Charlotte *News*: Mrs. J. B. Mercer and two children, of Wilmington, N. C., accompanied by her niece Miss Florence Spinks, of Albemarle, N. C., stopped over in the city last night, and left this morning for Albemarle.

— Some of the guests at the Seashore Hotel this week are Mr. and Mrs. John F. Orr, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Duncan, Miss Lucy Lowe, Thomas Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Teddar, all of Charlotte; Miss Easdale Shaw and Mrs. John D. Shaw, of Laurinburg; Miss Lee McNair, Laurel Hill; T. B. Waddell, Fayetteville; F. B. Covington, Maj. Edwin Sully, Rockingham.

RALEIGH'S NEWS BUDGET.

John Dancy to be Collector at Wilmington—Central Baptist Association—Bicycle Accident.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, July 27.

It appears now that John Dancy (col.) will be the collector at Wilmington. Howe, the colored Representative from New Hanover, will get something, but this plum will go to Dancy. Senator Pritchard says he had endorsed no one for the position, but adds that when Dancy retired from the race for Recorder of Deeds the President suggested that Dancy be given something in the State.

The Central Baptist Association is now in session at Bethel, this county.

Governor Russell has been invited to participate in the annual dinner of the Connecticut Society which will be given February 22d in New Haven, Conn., in commemoration of the birthday of George Washington.

News has just reached the city that Miss Temple Hill, a daughter of Mr. Theo. Hill, of this city, met with an accident while on her bicycle in Henderson, which it is thought will prove serious. She was coasting and was thrown. Her back was very seriously injured in the fall.

Capt. Boswell, a Pullman conductor, between Raleigh and Greensboro, was carried to Rex hospital yesterday. He has typhoid fever.

GEORGIA PROTESTS.

White Employes of the Internal Revenue Office Will Not Serve Under a Colored Man.

ATLANTA, July 27.—Harry A. Rucker, the colored barber who has been made internal revenue collector for Georgia, will receive the resignations of all the white deputies and clerical force of the office upon his return here and will put colored men in their places.

Business men who have dealings with the office are making the biggest kind of a protest, and a meeting of liquor dealers is to be held next week to consider ways and means of dealing with the new situation.

The appointment of Rucker has brought something less than a million applicants for the deputy collectorships. The entire staff of his Decatur street barber shop has been included in the list.

At Athens, where Pink Morton, colored, has been named for postmaster, the citizens have arranged a system of boycotting the office. Judson Lyons, another colored man, has been promised the postoffice at Augusta, and a large delegation of citizens, headed by ex-Senator Walsh, will personally appear before the Senate to oppose the confirmation.

No Increased Taxes.

Carthage *Blade*: "From the best information we can gain, there is little reason to fear that the special school tax will be carried in any township in Moore county. We cannot afford to increase our taxes now; and if it is carried the school children would derive but small benefit from it."

THE MORNING STAR.

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Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Atlantic Coast Line,

OFFICE OF GENERAL MANAGER, WILMINGTON, N. C., July 29th, 1897.

GENERAL NOTICE.

Commencing Monday, August 2nd, 1897, the Freight business of the Wilmington & Newbern Railroad Company, formerly the Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk Railway Company, will be conducted at the Freight Warehouses of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company in this city, and until further notice the Passenger business of the Wilmington & Newbern Railroad Company will be continued at its present Passenger Station on Walnut street.

There will be no change at present in the schedules of trains.

J. R. KENLY, General Manager

jy 29 1t

2,000 Bushels Corn

FOR SALE CHEAP,

SAM'L BEAR, Sr.,

12 Market Street,

jy 27 tf Wilmington, N. C.

New Catch Mullets.

2,000 Pounds New Mullets.
1,150 Bags Liverpool Salt.
1,400 Bundles Cotton Ties.
1,100 Rolls Bagging.
1,700 Pounds Soap.
650 Kegs Nails.
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jy 25 D&W tf Wilmington, N. C.

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THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 29, 1897

PROFESSIONAL FINANCIERS.

In writing a few days ago on the President's message to Congress urging the establishment of a currency commission, we remarked that it was well the message was ignored in the Senate, as the kind of a commission contemplated was not the kind of a commission the American people want, if they want any, and there is no evidence that they do. The Washington *Post* congratulates the country on the failure of the message for a somewhat different reason than that given by us, but for a very good one. In favorably commenting upon the refusal of the Senate to take any notice of the message, it says:

"It seems to us that the Senate has done well to postpone action on the President's currency commission plan. What is more, the Senate will do still better to leave the scheme in a pigeon hole indefinitely. Admitting that an amendment of our financial system is desirable—and almost everybody will admit it—the fact remains that we may easily make things worse by hasty and inconsiderate action. Under all the circumstances the Senate does well to hesitate.

"To be quite frank, we seriously doubt the wisdom of turning over this or any other matter connected with government to any authority save that contemplated in the Constitution. The organic law charges Congress with legislation of every kind; why send out into the byways of civil life for guidance and advice? Of course we understand that certain classes of our population, inconsiderable in number and importance, thank heaven—classes which delight in railing at Congress and telling themselves that the country would be better off without it—of course we understand that these classes will hail Mr. McKinley's proposition with grateful fervor. According to their philosophy, the people should never be permitted to make laws for themselves. The people have neither the intelligence nor the patriotism to choose representatives capable of rational and honest legislation. The people must be scolded and looked after by a combination of Wall street and the Reform Club—self-constituted saviors of the country. But we are quite sure that the Senate has acted for the best, and has expressed public sentiment in its highest and most substantial form by ignoring Mr. McKinley's proposition to set Congress aside and seek the aid of private citizens in formulating a scheme of currency reform. We see no occasion for these irregular and extraordinary methods. If the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with Congress, is not able to deal successfully with this problem then our whole theory of government is illusory and its operation a wretched blunder. If the American people cannot govern themselves through the agencies provided by the Constitution, they had better abandon the vain attempt and employ an autocrat at once. Anything is preferable to government by bureaus, commissions, coteries, cabals and oligarchies.

"The fact is that this tendency to farm out the sovereignty of the nation by distributing it piecemeal among various bodies of alleged experts is pernicious in the extreme. Its effect is demoralizing, and it has not even the poor warrant of expediency. Laws framed by attorneys have rarely been remarkable for anything except their rich harvests of controversy and litigation, nor do we believe that any system of banking and finance formulated by professional financiers would meet with public approval or produce practical results of value. The Senate played the part of wisdom in ignoring the President's currency commission plan. We hope the Senate will maintain its attitude indefinitely."

It was said when it was first given out that the President contemplated sending such a message to Congress that it would not meet with favor in the Senate because the free silver Senators would oppose it and oppose any suggestion that was made that did not look to the free and unlimited coinage of silver. Mr. McKinley knew this when he sent in his message a few hours before Congress adjourned, and had it rushed through the House, the object being to make it appear that he and his party in Congress were in favor of currency reform, but were prevented from carrying it out by the free silver Senators. This was for use in coming campaigns next Fall.

It is somewhat remarkable that in drafting the message he took for his counsellors and acted upon the suggestions of the gold Democrats who had been the allies of Mark Hanna in the fight against the Democratic party last Fall, while he and the Republican managers of the tariff utterly ignored every suggestion they made on the tariff in which he and they were much more interested than they were in currency reform. He didn't seem to consult with the leading Republicans at all, and it was doubtless understood with them that he should thus play into the hands of the gold Democrats to hold them with his party as they were in the Presidential election, a little game in which Hon. Mark Hanna doubtless had a hand, for as Mark is anxious to be returned to the Senate it is important that he secure as many votes of gold Democrats as possible. That's where the politics comes in. Mark made Mr. McKinley President, and Mr. McKinley thinks it only fair to do what he can to help Mark in his political aspirations, in addition to which Mark may be a very useful man to him in the future.

But as to the commission. Mr. McKinley would have it composed of "professional financiers" on the lines laid down by the Indianapolis statesmen, which means the lines laid down by the money manipulators of Wall Street, who would thus get the money system of the country more absolutely in their grip than they have it now. The power that was behind the throne in this matter, which was using the Indianapolis financiers to bring their scheme to the front, and through them was using President McKinley, is the same power which for nearly twenty-five years has been dictating and manipulating the financial policies of this country and has brought us to the wretched pass when they themselves dilate on the imperfections of our financial system and are clamorous for reform, reform dictated by them. Didn't they give us the system which we have? Are they the men to reform it?

If we are to have currency reform that will be currency reform it must come from the people, from the people who borrow money as well as from the people who make their profits by lending money. Shylocks are not the men to institute currency reforms for the benefit of the people. They are for themselves and themselves only. We have had too much of that thing, too much of the "professional financier." A little less of him and a good deal more of the people in fixing up our currency is what the country must have before the reform is made right and on enduring lines. We have had entirely too much jug-handle financial statesmanship already, to the country's undoing.

MINOR MENTION.

There is a good deal of talk about and denunciation of Trusts these days, but with all that they are growing stronger and bolder every day. There are so called anti-Trust laws, but there is no such law that the Trusts can't get around or drive through. Daniel O'Connell used to say that there was no statute of the British Parliament that a gentleman with "a coach and four" couldn't drive through, which meant that in that country in those days wealth was above the law. In this country the Trusts do what in O'Connell's time the gentleman with the "coach and four" did in the British Isles. But the Trust, powerful as it is, is yet in its infancy, and is planning for more power and to make itself supreme. The latest scheme in this direction is reported from Chicago, where it is said there is a movement on foot for the consolidation of all the leading Trusts in the country into one colossal combination under one management, by which they would have the business of the country absolutely in their power. A dozen or more big Trusts, led by the Standard Oil Trust, which is said to be working up the scheme, are mentioned as parties to it, representing a capital of $535,000,000. Adding to this the full value of the bonds of some of these Trusts, which are away above par, the capital represented would be about $1,000,000,000. This may be mere exchange gossip, but there is proof enough that the tendency of the times is to more formidable combinations by the Trusts—for mutual protection and mutual aggression. The movements instituted in the courts against some of them have perhaps brought them together, to pool their issues and make common cause when attacked. They have recently shown their power in the Congress of the United States in the manipulation of the new tariff, and also in the courts where they have been arraigned under the law, and it is needless to say that if such a combination were effected as is stated in the dispatch to which we refer, they would be incomparably more formidable than they are now. But such a bold scheme might arouse the people and precipitate the battle royal between them and the Trusts. To that, from past experience and present indications, it must come at last.

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The gold advocates make themselves ridiculous sometimes in their efforts to score a point against silver. It has been contended by silver men that there was a mutual relation between the foodstuffs of the world and silver, and that the price of silver was a gauge, so to speak, of the prices of foodstuffs. Of course it is not contended that if silver goes up one day and down another that the prices of foodstuffs will go up and down immediately in sympathy. What is meant is that taking the years in and comparing the rise and fall in prices there is an average relation between the prices of these things and the price of silver, which is sustained by the comparisons for a given number of years. The gold men are now making much ado because the price of wheat is going up and the price of silver down. With famine in India and short crops of wheat in nearly all the wheat-growing countries in the world except the United States, and perhaps Canada, there is an extraordinary demand for wheat, and of course an increase in price, while on the contrary silver is handicapped by legislation which narrows the markets and decreases the demand for it, which sufficiently accounts for its downward tendency. Remove these restrictions, give silver the same chances in the markets of the world that wheat has, and its price would go up instead of down, and so would the price of wheat go up with it. But while one has free access to the markets of the world, with an extraordinary demand resulting from scarcity, and the other is crowded out of the markets by restrictive legislation it is not reasonable to expect that they will always keep together in the matter of relative value.

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A Washington dispatch states that the President is confronted by legal complications that may prevent sending soldiers to the Alaska gold field. There is no doubt as to the power to send soldiers, but it is held that when there they cannot act without orders from the President and that owing to the distance, and the difficulty in communicating, the trouble, if any should arise, might be over before the situation could be made known to the President and orders received. Possibly there may be something in this, for the laws are sometimes wonderfully and mysteriously constructed, but it seems to us that they are taking an unnecessarily strait-laced view of the law. What are soldiers sent to the frontiers for? Isn't it to prevent trouble by their presence as well as to check it when it comes? There is always a certain amount of discretionary power vested in the men who command the troops and in the other officers who represent the Government, who are presumed to be men of good sense and good judgment and competent to decide as to what should be done in emergencies. If they could not move without orders from Washington they wouldn't be half as much use as a squad of police, for most of the time, when action might be necessary, would be spent in waiting orders from superiors in command who know but little of the actual situation. We think they will find a way out of this difficulty, however, for if the rush be half as great to these gold fields as represented some steps must be taken to keep the lawless in check and preserve the lives and property of the law-abiding until the civil authority becomes strong to do that. There may be some complication arising out of the uncertainty as to the boundary line, which would be another matter entirely and a better reason for hesitating than the reasons given.

TWINKLINGS.

— "Speaking of runs," observed Methuselah, "I have just scored my ninth century." And he cut another notch in his stick, and continued to roll down the ages.—*Chicago Tribune.*

— She—"Why is it I wonder, that little men so often marry large women?"

He—"I don't know, unless it is that the little fellows are afraid to back out of the engagements."—*Cleveland Leader.*

— A New View—"What a nice, kind man Nero was!"

"What? Why, the wretch fiddled while Rome burned!"

"I know. He'd probably waited all his life for a chance when he wouldn't disturb any one."—*Truth.*

— First Farmer (at railroad station)—"You've a farmer, too, eh?"

Second Farmer—"Yes; been farmin' a good many years."

First Farmer—"That so? Glad to meet ye. Where is yer farm—in the flood district, the drouth section, the grasshopper region or the cyclone belt?" —*New York Weekly.*

— Temper: "Maud's husband has an awful temper. About once a week he gets crazy mad and tears up her best hat."

"Oh, how nice!"

"Nice?"

"Of course, you silly thing. Doesn't he have to get her a new one next day?"

"I hadn't thought of that."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

— "Listen!" he hissed.

"No," she answered, and, turning upon her heel brusquely, she left him there alone. For she was a telephone girl by profession, and it was not her wont to listen to anything unless she was sure it was none of her business.—*Detroit Journal*

— "I have found out at last," said the elderly boarder, "the new boarder is a bachelor."

"You don't mean to say that you asked him?"

"Nope. But last night as we sat on the veranda taking a smoke he expressed the opinion that women rarely say what they really think."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

— First Dentist—"The fact is, I've got gentleness down to such a fine point that all my patients go to sleep while I'm pulling teeth."

Second Dentist—"That's nothing! Mine are beginning to have their photographs taken while I operate, because they always have such pleasant expressions on their faces."—*Puck.*

—— The Republicans have thus successfully dodged the financial problem, and it will be more than a year after the election when that problem was declared of the most pressing and immediate importance, before it is ever taken up for discussion. —*New Orleans Times-Democrat, Dem.*

Suffered 20 Years.

MRS. MARY LEWIS, wife of a prominent farmer, and well known by all old residents near Belmont, N. Y., writes: "For twenty-seven years I had been a constant sufferer from nervous prostration, and paid large sums of money for doctors and advertised remedies without benefit. Three years ago my condition was alarming; the least noise would startle and unnerve me. I was unable to sleep, had a number of sinking spells and slowly grew worse. I began using Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine and Nerve and Liver Pills. At first the medicine seemed to have no effect, but after taking a few bottles I began to notice a change; I rested better at night, my appetite began to improve and I rapidly grew better, until now I am as nearly restored to health as one of my age may expect. God bless Dr. Miles' Nervine."

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Wilkesboro *Chronicle*: D. E. Smoak and J. T. Wellborn made a trip up to the Roaring River country last week, prospecting for minerals. They report a successful trip. The indications are that a rich vein of gold has been found up there on the west fork of Roaring River, on T. C. Myers' land. The vein appears large and rich, and we are sure that a further investigation will prove it to be a rich find.

— Shelby *Aurora*: There have been more than five thousand chickens shipped from Ellenboro this season. —— In Thursday's issue we gave an account of a negro entering the residence of Phillip Baker, at King's Mountain, and assaulting Mrs. Baker. Her screams awoke the children and their cries aroused the neighbors. The negro fled, but suspicion soon pointed to Will Smarr. He was at once placed under arrest and his guilt was established at the magistrate's trial and he is now in jail. It was with difficulty that the cool heads prevented violence.

—Roxboro *Courier*: Deputy Sheriff C. T. Harris, accompanied by Mr. W. R. McBroom, went out day last week to arrest a negro by the name ot Wiley Webb. He locked himself up stairs in his cabin and notified the officers that the first one that came up the stairway he would kill. He had with him three guns, an axe and a scythe blade. Mr. Harris put a ladder up to an outside window, climbed up to the top, knocked the window down, covered the negro with his pistol and held him with it until the others could go up and tie him. He was tied and placed in jail.

— Salisbury *World*: Sheriff R. L. Nichols, of McDowell county, passed through this city this morning on his way to Raleigh. He had in his keeping Ab Long, a negro, who murdered a young white man at Marion about a month ago. The negro was convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary. We understand that there is considerable feeling in McDowell on account of the sentence. Many believed that the prisoner should have been hung but the defence pleaded that there was no premeditation; hence the verdict of murder in the second degree.

— Carthage *Blade*: Mr. L. W. Muse, one of our oldest and best citizens, died at his home on the outskirts of town on Thursday morning last of paralysis. He was striken first about one month ago, and suffered a second stroke about a week before his death. ——The dwelling house of Sandy Tyson, colored, of Bensalem township, with its contents, was destroyed by fire on the 18th inst. Loss about $700. ——Indications are now that the farmers of Moore county will make exceptionally fine crops. The wheat and oats were good; cotton is a little late but above the average in size, and corn is very fine, while the sweet potatoe prospect is the finest we ever saw.

— Greensboro *Record*: Joseph W. Farrar, a well known white man, was arrested in Winston Monday afternoon by Deputy Marshal Bailey, of Greensboro, on the charge of sending scurrilous letters and postal cards through the mails. Three of the cards and one letter are in the possession of Postoffice Inspector Dexter. The postal cards are addressed to prominent young ladies. Farrar was carried before United States Commissioner Martin, but his trial was continued until 7.30 o'clock to night, on account of his lawyer being out of the city. Farrar, at the hearing Monday night, was bound over to the October term of the Federal Court at Greensboro, his bond being fixed at $1,000.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

Now that the tariff bill is a law, the country must accept the inevitable and allow itself to be robbed with the best grace possible.—*New Orleans State, Dem.*

—— A lot of fuss has been made over the fact that a couple of United States warships went over to Morocco and by their presence enforced a proper respect for American citizens on the part of the Moorish officials. But would there be anything remarkable about a second class featherweight qualing before Champion Bob Fitzsimmons?—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— It is a French report that credits Emperor William with an effort to stir up strife between Japan and the United States, in revenge for the rejection of overtures which he is said to have made for the joint control of Hawaii by the United States, Great Britain and Germany. Therefore, it is not to be believed until it is verified, and it will not matter. at any rate, since Japan has steadfastly refused to start a quarrel with this country and has agreed to arbitrate her difference with Hawaii, but what an imp of mischief the German Emperor must be if he is guilty of half the malicious work that is attributed to him.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

Marriage as a Safety Valve

Visiting Sister—Why were you so cross to your husband at breakfast?

Wife—I just couldn't help it. I felt as if I must scold at somebody or burst. Just physical irritability, you know—and then everything went wrong. Breakfast was late, the steak burned, the coffee thin and cakes heavy.

"Then why didn't you scold the cook?"

"Oh, I couldn't—she'd leave."—New York Journal.

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CATCHES MADE OF COSTLY DIAMONDS IN THE DAYS OF LOUIS XIV.

An Inventory That Reads Like a Fairy Tale—The Ridiculous Mania For Gigantic Buttons In the Eighteenth Century. Collectors Pay High Prices.

Recently at the Hotel Drouot there was a sale of a curious and interesting collection of ancient buttons, the property of Baron Perignan of Paris. This collection, which was exhibited in 1889 at the exposition of decorative arts, might rival any one of those belonging to the most enthusiastic buttonists in the world. Clapisson, the musician, collected 7,750 different specimens. In 1849 a collector in Ghent exhibited more than 30,000, and M. Maignien, the librarian of the Grenoble library, gained a certain reputation in this branch of curiosities through his collection of buttons of liveries and of uniforms.

The buttons of the eighteenth century bring high prices in the market at the present time. There are some of them that Fragonard, we are told, decorated with his marvelous pencil. In his time it was fashionable to make presents of buttons as big as a crown piece, on which allegories and various subjects were carved.

Bachaumont writes in his "Secret Memoirs," Nov. 18, 1786: "The mania for buttons is today extremely ridiculous. They are not only of enormous size, some of them as big as six pound crowns, but miniatures and pictures are made upon them, and this ornamentation is extremely costly. Some of them represent the medals of the 12 Cæsars, others antique statues and still others the Metamorphoses of Ovid."

Isabey, in his biographical notes, says that when he came to Paris he worked for a living by making copies of Vanloos and Bouchers on the lids of snuffboxes, and that for these medallions he was paid from 6 to 8 francs each. "As it was still the fashion," he said, "to wear buttons as big as a 5 franc piece, upon which Cupids, flowers and landscapes were cut in cameo, I went into that business. I got 12 sous for each."

Two years after this period in the life of Bachaumont buttons abandoned erudition to take up edileship. All the fine monuments of Paris were carved on them. Then came the patriotic buttons, representing the taking of the Bastille, the emblem of the three orders, the Phrygian cap, the portraits of Louis XVI, of Mirabeau.

Shortly afterward these ornaments were laid aside. The reign of the artistic button was over, and the mother of pearl button became general.

The oldest buttons at present in the museums and among the collections are the gold buttons discovered at Mycenæ, at the time of the excavations undertaken by Dr. Schliemann, and also those found in the tomb of Childeric I. The latter were exhibited at the Louvre in the Musee des Souverains. They are made of gold and of colored glass, imitating garnet. Buttons detached from copes and religious garments of the middle ages and of the renaissance have also been discovered.

But the richest things of the kind, beyond a doubt, are those that were worn by Louis XIV. M. Maze-Sencier, in the "Register of Diamonds and Presents to the King," at present preserved in the ministry of foreign affairs, gives an official account of the buttons of that pompous sovereign. It is as follows:

"Feb. 3, 1685.—Montarcy presented to the king 80 diamond buttons, valued at 180,030 livres.

"May 7, 1685.—Made and delivered by Sieur Bosc, 6 diamond buttons, 30,000 livres.

"July 26, 1685.—Handed over by Montarcy to the Marquis de Seignelay for the king 75 diamond buttons, 586,703 livres.

"Aug. 1, 1685.—Two diamond buttons, 67,866 livres.

"Aug. 16, 1685.—Three diamond buttons, 69,660 livres.

"Dec. 20, 1685.—Four diamond buttons, 83,775 livres."

Another item in the same year:

"July 26, 1685.—Furnished by Montarcy for the king's vest: Forty-eight gold buttons, each set with a diamond, and 96 clasps, 48 of which were composed of five diamonds each and 48 of one diamond each, 185,123 livres.

"Also 384 clasps for the doublet of the king, 162 of which were formed of five diamonds each and 162 of one diamond each, 1,006,345 livres.

"In addition there were seven ornamental clasps of three diamonds each, 201,270 livres.

"Sundry presents, 33 ornamented clasps, 574,366 livres."

That foots up a total of about 3,000,000 livres for the buttons of the "Great King" for the single year of 1685. The preceding year Louis XIV received a lot of buttons that were valued at 1,071,000 livres. In these enumerations there is no mention of the diamonds for the shoes, the garters, the cuffs and the hats of the monarch.

We are obliged to admit, with our coats and overcoats garnished with miserable little cloth and bone affairs, we cut a poor figure in the fancy button business compared to the dudes of the days of Louis XIV.—Paris Figaro.

Time to Change.

It was at a table d'hote dinner at a hill station in India that a very young officer just up from the plains found himself seated next to a lady whom he took for one of the grass widows common in those parts. He made himself agreeable, but his neighbor seemed a good deal out of spirits, so he said sympathetically:

"I suppose you can't help thinking of your poor husband grilling down below?"

But the lady was a real widow, and when he learned that he changed his seat.—London Vanity Fair.

Mr. W. S. Gilbert was many years ago called to the bar. His first brief was from a Frenchman, who marked his satisfaction at winning his case by giving the verse spinner a kiss on both cheeks before the whole court. That was the only fee Gilbert got from him.

Many persons have found relief from nervous headache by washing the hair thoroughly in weak soda water.

In 1873 Japan suffered from a fire which destroyed 10,000 houses and left over 1,000,000 persons homeless.

Stands at the Head.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz. writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Cough and Colds I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and to-day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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"I'm not running this road. Besides, it's probably her own kid."

"Well, I shall certainly inform the authorities. It's over 15 minutes that dear little thing hasn't had a breath of air. Won't you call the police?"

Of course this dialogue was furnished by husband and wife. Scene—A cable car bound down town. The character spoken of as "that woman" was a female of uncertain age and decided sternness. She boarded the car at Fifty-ninth street. In her arms she carried the "it" referred to man fashion as "the kid." Tenderly, almost to suffocation, the woman hugged her charge. Not even the end of its tiny nose nor a wisp of baby hair peeped out from the folds of the long cloak. The woman snuggled and cuddled the bundled child, and never an infantile wail or a gasp for breath aroused the wondering passengers to action. When the car reached Thirty-fourth street, "that woman," still hugging her bundle, left the car. The husband and wife followed. The car sped on.

Safe on the sidewalk, the woman paused, shook the folds of the baby's cloak, and deposited on the pavement a long eared, wet nosed, watery eyed spaniel. That was all.

"Well, John, I'm beat," said the wife.

"So's the conductor and the company," responded John. "She smuggled the beast and got the best of the company. I was smart enough to mind my own business. Come on."—New York Sun.

Tunneling the Strait of Messina.

Engineering achievements and possibilities, from the modern point of view, are receiving an additional illustration in the case of the projected tunnel between the mainland of Italy and the island of Sicily, plans and details of which, in model, as executed by the Italian civil engineer De Johannis, have attracted much attention at the University of Padua. After thorough and careful studies of the strait of Messina, its varying depths, the nature of the ground and of all other conditions which might assist or interfere with such an undertaking, De Johannis decided that the beginning of the tunnel should be near San Giovanni di Sanitello, at the foot of the Aspromonte mountain range, the mouth on the other side to be located on the degli Inglesi plain. The entire tunnel will be nearly two miles long and will consist in the main of two shafts of about 10,000 feet each, descending at a grade not exceeding 32 feet in each 1,000. Such a tunnel is thought preferable to a bridge that would involve such a great span and wind exposure.—Harper's Round Table.

The Japanese Solons.

Business in the Japanese parliament seems of rather a frivolous character. A whole sitting was devoted to considering whether a member had not violated parliamentary etiquette by attending the opening in a frock coat instead of the regulation dress suit. Finally the offending member was solemnly warned of his "indiscretion," narrowly escaping being handed over to the disciplinary committee for punishment.

Wholesale Prices Current.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	@	6¼
Standard	@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12 @	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6 @	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6 @	6¼
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5½ @	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	4¾ @	5¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each	1 35 @	1 40
New City, each	1 30 @	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	23 @	23
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 00 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	10 @	16
Northern	18 @	25
CORN MEAL—		
Per Bushel, in sacks	43 @	45
Virginia Meal	43 @	45
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	75
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	11 @	12½
Dairy, Cream	12 @	13
State	@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	20 @	
Rio	8½ @	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5¼
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18 @	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	8½ @	9
FISH—		
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	2 00 @	3 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75 @	6 50
N C Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	3 35 @	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—		
Low grade	3 00 @	3 25
Choice	3 50 @	3 60
Straight	@	4 25
First Patent	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½ @	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bags—White	43 @	45
Car load, in bags—White	42 @	43
Oats, from store	@	30
Oats, Rust Proof	@	40
Cow Peas	60 @	65
HIDES, ℔ ℔—		
Green	@	6
Dry	@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—		
Clover Hay	80 @	85
Rice Straw	@	50
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	90 @	95
North River	@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1½ @	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	5 @	5½
North Carolina	5 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M feet—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—		
Barbados, in hhds	@	25
" " in bbls	@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds	@	25
" " in bbls	@	28
Sugar-House, in hhds	12 @	14
" " in bbls	14 @	15
Syrup, in bbls	12 @	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis	1 50 @	1 60
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	9 00 @	9 50
Rump	@	8 75
Prime	@	8 75
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack Alum	@	75
Liverpool	@	80
Lisbon	@	
American	35 @	90
On 125 ℔ Sacks	35 @	90
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 60 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu'd	@	5¼
Standard A	@	5¼
White Ex. C	@	4 1-16
Extra C, Golden	@	4¼
C. Yellow	@	3¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼ @	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	@	9 00
Mill, Prime	@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	4 50
Common Mill	4 00 @	5 50
Inferior to Ordinary	@	3 50
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50 @	5 00
" Sap	4 00 @	4 50
6x20 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	4 @	
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	2 00
WOOL ℔ ℔—Unwashed	8 @	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, July 28.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 25 cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 per bbl for Strained and $1 25 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet; $1.30 per barrel for Hard, 1 80 for Dip and 1.90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm, 21¼, 20¾c; rosin firm, $1.32½, $1 37½; tar quiet, $1 05; crude turpentine steady, $1 30, 1 60, 1.70.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	196
Rosin	335
Tar	56
Crude Turpentine	50

Receipts same day last year—127 casks spirits turpentine, 390 bbls rosin, 61 bbls tar, 31 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8¼c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5⅝	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	7⅛	" "
Low Middling	7⅞	" "
Middling	8¼	" "
Good Middling	8 7-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7c.

Receipts—7 bales; same day last year, 0.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 60@65c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 70c; Fancy, 80c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45@50c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 42½@45 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 28—Evening.—Money on call was steady at 1 per cent., last loan at 1 and closed offered at 1 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills 487½@487¾ for demand and 486½ for sixty days. Posted rates 487@487½ and 488@488½. Commercial bills 485½@485¾. Silver certificates 59. Government bonds were strong; twos, registered, 97½; fours, registered, 111⅞; fours, coupon, 112½; new fours, registered, 112½; new fours, coupon, 126¾; fives, registered, 118½; fives, coupon, 114⅜. State bonds quiet; North Carolina sixes 128; North Carolina fours 103. Railroad bonds strong.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 28—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 57½@1 60. Spirits turpentine firm at 27½@28c.

CHARLESTON, July 28.—Spirits turpentine firm at 24c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; A, B, C, D $1 15, E $1 20, F $1 30, G $1 35, H $1 45, I, K $1 55, M $1 65, N $1 75, W G $1 90; W W $2 00.

SAVANNAH, July 28.—Spirits turpentine opened firm at 25½c and closed firm at 26c; sales 932 casks; after the close sales were made at 26½c; receipts 1,138 casks. Rosin firm; sales of 2,049 barrels; receipts 4 566 barrels; last quotations: A, B, C, D $1 22½@1 25, E $1 27½@1 30, F $1 32½@1 35, G $1 37½@1 40, H $1 42½@1 55, I $1 65, K $1 60, M $1 65, N $1 85, W G $2 05, W W $2 40

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 28.—To-day's cotton market opened steady, with prices lower by 4 to 7 points, following bearing crop accounts, particularly from Texas and very unsatisfactory English cables. After a further decline of 1 to 2 points in the near months, under local and some Southern liquidation, the market steadied on moderately good buying orders and closed firm for near months and steady on distant positions, with prices 1 point higher to 5 points net lower. Sales 57,400 bales. Official as well as private crop advices showed the drought in central and southern Texas to be broken by good rains last night. The ready response of the Liverpool market to this news led to considerable selling of long cotton, held throughout yesterday's break in hopes of a reaction to-day. The market was very small and narrow and sensitive during the afternoon, with small orders either way. Business continued light and almost entirely local, but a steady undertone continued in evidence on the spot situation. Only a few notices of intended delivery of cotton on August contracts were issued, and they were stopped as soon as they were put in circulation.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 7 15 16c.

Cotton futures closed firm on near months and steady on distant months; sales 87,400 bales; Jan'y 7 05, Feb'y 7 08, March 7 12, April 7 15, May —, July 7 47, August 7 45, September 7 25, October 7 08, November 6 99, December 7 01.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 7 15-16c; middling gulf 8 3-16c; sales of 1,725 bales.

Cotton—net receipts — bales; gross 130 bales; exports to Great Britain 642 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; forwarded 34 bales; sales 1,175 bales; sales to spinners 1,225 bales; stock (actual) 65,195 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 530 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,942 bales; to France — bales; to the Continent 1,100 bales; stock 107,756 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 2,127 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,071 bales; to France — bales; to the Continent 4,488 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 6,608,141 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,000,628 bales; exports to France 699 155 bales; exports to the Continent 2,187,965 bales; to the Channel 5,481 bales.

July 28.—Galveston quiet at 7⅝, net receipts — bales; Norfolk, firm at 8¼, net receipts 78 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 7 15-16, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¼, net receipts 7 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8 3 16, net receipts 378 bales; Savannah, firm at 7⅝, net receipts 31 bales; New Orleans, steady at 7¾, net receipts 29 bales; Mobile, dull at 7⅝, net receipts 6 bales; Memphis, steady at 7 13-16, net receipts 63 bales; Augusta, firm at 8, net receipts 1 bale; Charleston, firm at 7⅜, net receipts 6 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 28—Evening.—Flour was dull and lower to sell at the close; Minnesota patents $4 35@4 60; winter patents $4 30@4 70; do straights $4 00@4 25. Wheat—spot steady; options opened easier; rallied on foreign buying, ruled irregular all day under conflicting news, rallied late on large export sales, but finally broke under active unloading and closed ¼@¾c net lower; sales included No. 2 red July 83½@85c, closed 84c; September 78 11-16@79 11-16c, closed 78⅞c; December 79⅞@79¾c, closed 79¾c. Corn—spot steady and fairly active; No. 2 32½c at elevator and 33⅛c afloat; options opened easier under weak cables and better crop news, rallied with wheat, but finally eased off under real'zing, closing ⅛c lower; July closed 33½c; September 33¼@33⅜c, closed 33⅜c; December closed 33⅜c. Oats—spot quiet; No. 2 22c; options dull and nominally easier, closing ⅛c net lower; September 21¾c. Lard easy; Western steam closed at $4 35@4 40; city $3 95@4 00; September $4 40. nominal; refined quiet; Continent $4 60. American $5 00; compound $4 00@4 25. Pork steady; old mess $8 00@8 50; new mess $8 75@9 50. Butter steady at quotations; Western creamery 11@15c; factory 7@10½c; Elgins 15c; imitation creamery 9½@12c; State dairy 10@14c; do. creamery 11@15c. Cheese quiet; State large, white 7⅜@7½c; do. fancy large, colored 7½c; small white 7@7½c; Western part skims 4@5½c; small colored 7½@7½c; full skims —. Eggs were steady; State and Pennsylvania 13c; Western fresh 12c. Cotton seed oil was strong and decidedly more active; rumored sales of 4 000 barrels of prime yellow, P. T. for export; prime crude f. o. b. mills 16½@17c; prime crude yellow 25@26c; off summer yellow 24@25c; butter grades 30@32c; prime winter white 31c. Tallow dull. Petroleum dull; no market; refined New York $5 75; Philadelphia and Baltimore $5 70; do. in bulk $3 20. Rice was firm. Molasses firm. Tomatoes, per crate or box, as to quality, 30c@$1 00. Cabbage—Long Island, per 100, $3 50@8 00. Potatoes steady; Long Island $3 00@3 25; sweets $3 50@3 00. Coffee—Spot Rio dull; Cordova 10½@16½c; sales 500 bags Maracaibo; 800 bags Central American. Sugar—raw firm; fair refining 3⅛c; centrifugal 96 test 3⅝; refined firm.

CHICAGO, July 28.—Wheat was quite erratic to-day but kept within a range of 2⅜@½c lower for September. Foreign markets failed to respond to the strength in this market yesterday; but private advices by cable confirmed reports of damage and a probable heavy shortage in the European crop. Domestic news was rather favorable and receipts at all points to-day were 50 per cent. over last year. Corn was easy with wheat, closing ⅛@¼c. lower. Oats were also a shade worse. Provisions were easy, closing at a decline of 2½@5c.

CHICAGO, July 28.—Cash quotations: Flour—the market was quoted dull but steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 76⅜@77¼; No. 3 spring 72@74c; No. 2 red 76⅜@77¼. Corn—No. 2, 26⅞@27. Oats—No. 2 17½@17¾c; No. 2 white 21@22c; No. 3 do, 19@21c. Mess pork per barrel $7 70@7 75. Lard, per 100 lbs $4 10@4 12½. Short rib sides, loose, $5 25@5 37½. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 75@5 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 75@4 87½. Whiskey $1 19.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—July 77¼, 78⅛, 75¼, 76⅜c; September 72⅜@73, 73⅜, 72⅜, 72⅜c; December 74¼, 75, 73⅜, 73⅜c. Corn—July 27, 27, 26⅜, 26⅜c; September 27¼@27⅜, 27¼, 26⅞, 27; December, 28¼, 28⅜, 28, 28¼c; May 30¼, 30⅜@30⅜, 30¼, 30⅜. Oats—No. 2 July 17½, 17½, 17½, 17½; September 17⅛@17⅝, 17⅝@17⅝, 17½, 17½@17⅝c; May 20⅜, 20⅜@20½, 20½@20⅜, 20⅜. Mess pork—July $ —; September $7 70, 7 72½, 7 60, 7 70. Lard—September $4 15, 4 17½, 4 12½, 4 15; October $4 22½, 4 22½, 4 17½, 4 20. Shortribs—September $4 60, 4 60, 4 55, 4 60; October $4 60, 4 62½, 4 57½, 4 62½.

BALTIMORE, July 28.—Flour firm, but quiet and unchanged. Wheat unsettled and higher; spot and month 80⅜@80¾c; August and September 79⅜@79½c; steamer No. 2 red 76½@76⅝c; Southern wheat by sample 78@82½c; do on grade 79@82c. Corn firmer; spot and month 31⅝@31¾c; August and September 31½@31⅝c; steamer mixed 28@28¼c; Southern white 32c; do yellow 35c. Oats firm; No. 2 white 26½@27c; No. 2 mixed 23½@24c.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, July 28.—4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in fair demand and prices lower. American middling 4⅛d; low middling 4¼d; good ordinary 4d; ordinary 3 13 16d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,500 were for speculation and export, and including 8,900 American. Receipts 1,000 bales, none of which were American. Futures opened easy with a fair demand and closed quiet at the decline. American middling (l m c): July 4 10-64@4 11-64d seller; July and August 4 9 64d seller; August and September 4 4 64@4 5 64d buyer; September and October 3 63 64d seller; October and November 3 56 64d seller; November and December 3 53-64@3 54-64d seller; December and January 3 53 64d buyer; January and February 3 53 64d buyer; February and March 3 52 64@3 53 64d buyer; March and April 3 53 64@3 54 64d seller; April and May 3 54 64d.

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It reminded a Kansan of a man whom he once knew, a prominent editor of one of the largest newspapers in his state. He had beautiful false teeth, but he didn't love them, and when he had visitors and got into a reminiscent mood it was his habit to remove his teeth and play with them. In this manner they were liable to get lost and would be found in the most unexpected places. One day he absently mailed them among a batch of letters, and the mischief was to pay till he saw them advertised in his own paper. After that he had his name engraved on the solid gold plate and felt that he was quite safe. When he talked very rapidly, his teeth had a startling habit of flying out. He was a picturesque improviser of profanity, and when he got excited his false teeth would often punctuate his remarks by their sudden appearance. One day his unfortunate foreman was thus attacked, and the teeth struck him in one eye, nearly blinding him. He kept the teeth, sued and recovered damages.—Washington Star.

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DAYS TO COME.

A long, grim corridor; a sullen bar
Of light athwart the pavement, where no feet,
Pale sunshine spreads for dark her winding sheet.
A light not born of noon or placid star
Glows lurid through the gloom, while from afar
Beats marching of innumerable feet.
Is this the place where tragic armies meet?
The throb of terror that presages war?
I strain to see; then softly on my sight
There falls the vision, manifold they come—
White, listless day chained to her brother night;
Their hands are shackled and their lips are dumb,
And as they meet the air where each one dies
They turn and smile at me with weary eyes.
—Helen Hay in Century.

INAUGURATION DAY.

When It Will Fall Upon Sundays and What Then Happens.

From the year 1917 to the year 2085 inauguration day will fall on Sunday every 28 years, but in changing from the twentieth century to the twenty-first the 40 year period comes in, and after 2085 the next inauguration Sunday will be in 2125. So, there will be a 40 year period from 2181 to 2221 and from 2277 to 2317, but only a 28 year period from 2373 to 2401, as 23 is not divisible by 4.

During any century whose number is divisible by 4 inauguration day fails on Sunday 4 times. During any century whose number is not divisible by 4, it falls on Sunday only 3 times. From 2000 to 2100, for instance, it will fall on Sunday 4 times and also from 2400 to 2500, 20 and 24 being divisible by 4, but from 1900 to 2000, it will fall on Sunday only 3 times, and so from 2100 to 2200, 19 and 21 not being divisible by 4. Observe that, in speaking of the "number of a century" we do not mean the year; 20 is the number of the century—which we divide by 4—and 2000 is the year. Observe, also, that in all this we are not speaking of the recurrence of the date, March 4, but of the particular March 4ths that are inauguration days.

Here is a table showing how many times inauguration day falls on each of the seven days of the week from the year 1800 to the year 3000:

DAYS OF THE WEEK.	1800 to 1900	1900 to 2000	2000 to 2100	2100 to 2200	2200 to 2300	2300 to 2400	2400 to 2500	2500 to 2600	2600 to 2700	2700 to 2800	2800 to 2900	2900 to 3000
Sunday	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	3
Monday	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Tuesday	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	3
Wednesday	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	4
Thursday	4	4	3	3	4	4	3	3	4	4	3	3
Friday	3	3	4	4	3	3	4	4	3	3	4	4
Saturday	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	4

Perhaps it might be well to say that when inauguration day falls on Sunday, the incoming president takes the oath on Saturday, March 3, but is not formally inducted into office until Monday, March 5. This is done to prevent a lapse in the office, for the outgoing president has no authority as such after 12 o'clock, noon, on March 4, whether that date fall on Sunday or on any other day. If, therefore, occasion should arise between noon on Sunday, March 4, and noon on Monday, March 5, for the exercise of the presidential authority, the incoming president, having taken the oath of office, would be qualified to perform the duty. Such a case never has arisen, but it might arise.—Philadelphia Times.

Beecher's Only Poem.

It was related by Mrs. Beecher that during their courtship Mr. Beecher once "dropped into poetry" and wrote a few lines of verse teeming with affection for his sweetheart. But the verses were always kept sacred by Mrs. Beecher, and nothing could win them from her.

One day Mr. and Mrs. Beecher were in the office of Robert Bonner, the publisher.

"Why don't you write a poem, Beecher?" said Mr. Bonner.

"He did once," said Mrs. Beecher.

"Recite it for me, won't you, Mrs. Beecher?"

But the eyes of the great preacher were riveted on his wife, and she knew that he meant silence.

"Come," said Mr. Bonner, "I'll give you $5,000 if you will recite that poem to me," addressing Mrs. Beecher.

"Why, it ran"— quickly said Mrs. Beecher.

"Eunice," simply said Mr. Beecher.

And although Robert Bonner offered to double the sum first offered he never got the poem from Mrs. Beecher. It had been hidden away ever since by Mrs. Beecher and cherished as one of the dearest treasures her husband left her.—Boston Globe.

Man's Most Vulgar Habit.

"If men were compelled to wear skirts for a period, I think they would insist more than they now do that their fellow men should stop the nasty habit of spitting in public," writes Edward W. Bok in The Ladies' Home Journal. "There is no practice of man which is more distressing to women than this disgusting habit. Women constantly complain of it, especially in our larger cities, where sometimes the sidewalks are scarcely fit for them to walk upon. They revolt at the practice, and they are right in so doing, yet year in and year out the habit not only continues but increases, and the protection of cleanliness, to which every woman walking upon our streets has a perfect right, is denied her."

ELECTING A POPE.

There Are Three Methods of Choosing the Supreme Pontiff.

Having come to order at the request of the dean, if the formality of recognizing the cardinals be dispensed with—and in so small a body it is hardly necessary, because no impostor could hope successfully to palm himself off as a cardinal—the first business is to choose three scrutators, one from each order, to count the ballots, and three infermieri, who collect the votes of the sick. The canons define three kinds of election—by inspiration, by compromise and by ballot. Election by inspiration takes place when "all the cardinals, as if by inspiration of the Holy Ghost, proclaim one candidate as pontiff unanimously and viva voce." A single dissenting voice vitiates this method, which, we may remark, has perhaps never been carried out in literal conformity to rule, although several popes have been chosen by acclamation.

Election by compromise has sometimes been resorted to after a long deadlock by the appointment of a committee consisting of representatives of the various rival factions. The conclave merely ratifies the candidate nominated by the committee.

But election by ballot is the ordinary method. The ballots, when open, are about four inches long and three broad. In the first or upper section the cardinal writes his name; in the middle, the name of the candidate whom he proposes; in the lower section, some motto from the Scriptures. When he folds the sheet, his name, being inside, is covered by the lower section, and only the candidate's name or the seal comes uppermost. To guard against the ballot's opening, he seals it with a seal he has chosen, but it must not be one which the scrutators might recognize. Going to the central table, he deposits the ballot in the chalice, repeating at the same time this formula, "Testor Christum Dominum qui me judicaturus est, me eligere quem secundum Deum judico elegi debere et quod idem in accessu praestabo."

When every one has voted and the infermieri have brought the ballots of the sick members, the first scrutator takes each ballot from the chalice and opening it—but only so far as to read the motto—hands it to the second, who, having entered the vote opposite the candidate's name on the list, passes it to the third, who reads it aloud. During this process the other cardinals keep the tally on the duplicate lists which each of them has before him. At the conclusion all the ballots are taken to the stove and burned, the smoke from the chimney being a signal which multitudes outside the palace await. According to common belief, when no smoke appears at the usual time it is a sign that the pope has been elected. The last ballots are burned like the rest, however, the difference in the volume of smoke being due to the fact that no straw is used at the last burning there is very little smoke.

There being no election, the cardinals now return to their quarters for dinner, after which, at 3 o'clock or a little later, they reassemble for another ballot. This differs from the morning one in that the cardinals, instead of voting for their favorite candidates, vote for their second choice. The process is called "acceding" and seems devised for breaking a deadlock. Each must vote for some one who has received support at the morning trial, but if none of these suits him, being prohibited from again casting for his favorite, he may simply vote for "nobody." Thus it might happen that the pope chosen in the accessus, or acceding, was a candidate whom very few or none of the cardinals would select on their first choice. As a matter of fact, however, not many popes have owed their election to the accessus, in which the cardinals generally throw random votes for candidates who have little chance of success.—"The Election of a Pope," by William R. Thayer, in Century.

Beautiful Butterflies.

"There is in the village of Wellesley," says the Boston Transcript, "a rarely beautiful collection of butterflies and moths, many thousands in number, brought together and owned by the Denton brothers and representing a world wide membership of the Lepidoptera family. Words are almost inadequate to describe the color effects in this collection. Native butterflies and moths, with their resplendent beauty; Australian butterflies of iridescent coloring, changing with every light; Chinese moths, with pale amber wings, spotted with deep orange; East Indian butterflies, warm with gold or dashed with flecks of snow; butterflies and moths from Central and South America, gleaming with exquisite shades of opal and mother of pearl or rich with radiant purple—all these furnish a wonderful feast of color which well repays a visit to the collection." William Denton, the father of these collectors, was a well known geologist of the last generation.

Paper Bottles.

The biggest item of incidental loss in ocean traffic during the stormy seasons of the year is that of breakages in the wine stores. No matter how securely the bottles are fixed in the bins, a particularly heavy sea striking the ship in a certain spot or continued rolling and pitching will cause great losses in costly fluids that were never intended to wash the floor or the walls. A French firm is going to do away with this present source of annoyance and complaint. After years of experimenting it has succeeded in manufacturing a paper bottle which will not break, and which has all the advantages of the ordinary glass bottle. In the home, too, such bottles would be highly appreciated.—Pearson's Weekly.

But He Realizes It Now.

Mrs. Benham—Many a true word is spoken in jest.

Mr. Benham—That's so. I little dreamed when I said, 'With all my worldly goods I thee endow,' that you would take every cent I had.—Twinkles.

It is not too much to say that in Britain a million of money might be saved annually on funeral and marriage ceremonies with no disrespect to the dead and an increase of comfort to the living.

A Flannel Shirt Club.

The Countess of Stafford has recently founded the Flannel Shirt club, the object of which is quite as original as its name. The members of this organization go around asking their friends for flannel shirts to be given to poor convalescents discharged from hospitals and unprovided with proper underclothing. It may seem a little singular for a fashionable woman at a society function soliciting her men acquaintances for flannel shirts, but the charity is beyond question a worthy one, and its oddity makes it popular. Another freak of philanthropy is the giving of dinners to horses. They have homes for broken down and decrepit horses in London, and society has taken to visiting these places and serving the inmates with course dinners, consisting of sliced carrots, chopped apples, brown and white bread in small loaves and lump sugar.—London Telegraph.

The Glutton Sparrow.

You can no more fill a sparrow up with crumbs than you could Jumbo with buns. A robin is soon satisfied and, satisfied, goes away. A sparrow is nothing if not excessive. The fat boy in "Pickwick" might preach temperance to it. Like time, it is edax rerum and insatiable. Besides it has not the remotest idea of good taste or manners. It has neither self respect nor gratitude. So, though its little, graceless necessities must be duly respected, its excesses of appetite may be becomingly and, in a Christian spirit, outwitted.—Contemporary Review.

Maryland Rice and Tobacco.

According to the Baltimore News, the farmers of Maryland are becoming interested in the movement for a general cultivation of tobacco and for the introduction of the raising of rice. In earlier days tobacco was grown throughout the state, but for the last half century it has been confined to the counties of southern Maryland. Rice has never been grown in the state, but the recent success with this crop in lower New Jersey has led many to think that it can be profitably taken up in Delaware and Maryland. The yield of rice is from 35 to 60 bushels an acre, and the net profit is said to be from $25 to $45 an acre.

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Due from other Banks 127,531 51		Total Deposits	526,457 23
Cash on hand 62,091 94—	189,623 48		
Total	$770,395 32	Total	$770,395 32

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	July 23rd, '96.	July 23rd, '97
Deposits	$449,000	$526,000
Surplus and Net Profits	56,800	69,400
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	No. 41.	No. 403.
Leave Wilmington	*3 20 p m	....
Leave Lumberton	5 26 p m	....
Leave Maxton	6 12 p m	....
Leave Laurinburg	6 23 p m	....
Arrive Hamlet	6 53 p m	....
Leave Hamlet	7 13 p m	*5 10pm
Leave Rockingham	7 30 p m	5 23am
Leave Wadesboro	8 11 p m	5 54am
Leave Marshville	8 48 p m	6 35am
Arrive Monroe	9 12 p m	6 48am
Leave Monroe	9 35 p m	7 00am
Arrive Charlotte	10 25 p m	7 50am
Arrive Mt. Holly	....	9 20am
Arrive Lincolnton	....	10 30am
Arrive Shelby	....	11 18pm
Arrive Ellenboro	....	11 55pm
Arrive Rutherfordton	....	12 30pm

*8 40 a m Leave......Hamlet......Arrive *6 20pm
10 00 a m Arrive......Cheraw......Leave †5 00pm

EASTWARD.

	No. 38	No. 402.
Leave Rutherfordton	....	*4 35pm
Leave Ellenboro	....	5 15pm
Leave Shelby	....	5 55pm
Leave Lincolnton	....	6 55pm
Leave Mt. Holly	....	7 52pm
Leave Charlotte	*5 10 am	8 28pm
Arrive Monroe	5 55 am	9 10pm
Leave Monroe	6 05 am	9 40pm
Leave Marshville	6 25 am	....
Leave Wadesboro	7 01 am	10 31pm
Leave Rockingham	7 41 am	11 05pm
Arrive Hamlet	7 55 am	11 20pm
Leave Hamlet	8 10 am	....
Leave Laurinburg	8 46 am	....
Leave Maxton	9 05 am	....
Leave Lumberton	9 53 am	....
Arrive Wilmington	12 05 pm	....

NORTHWARD.

Leave Hamlet	*8 15 am	*11 20pm
Arrive Raleigh	11 30 am	2 16am
Arrive Portsmouth	5 50pm	7 25am
Arrive Richmond	*6 50pm	*8 15am
Arrive Washington	11 10 pm	12 31pm
Arrive New York	6 53 am	6 23pm

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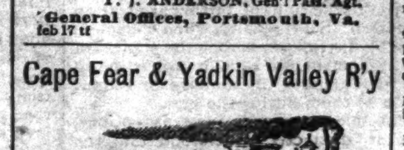

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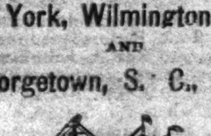

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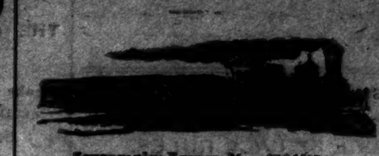

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DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 6.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.57 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.24 a m, Richmond 4.20 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.25 a m, New York 2.02 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND.

DAILY 3.40 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 p m, Chadbourn 5.29 p m, Marion 6.40 p m, Florence 7.25 p m, Sumter 8.42 p m, Columbia 10.05 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.10 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.20 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 5.45 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.03 p m, *New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.12 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.02 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.40 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.20 p m, Weldon 9.43 p m, †Tarboro 6.01 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.20 a m, Goldsboro 7.03 a m, Warsaw 7.54 a m, Magnolia 8.07 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.25 a m, Sanford 2.19 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m, Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 5.50 a m, Atlanta 8.20 a m, Macon 9.30 a m, Augusta 3.05 p m, Denmark 4.56 p m, Sumter 6.45 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.28 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7.55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 a m, Greenville 8.52 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11.18 a m, Weldon 11.33 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 a m and 1.00 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 2.40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 a m and 6.30 p m, arrives Washington 11.00 a m and 7.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 p m, Sunday, 4.05 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m and 6 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 a m, and Sunday 9 a m. Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m and 11 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9.00 a m, arrives Goldsboro, N. C., 10.25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9.05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 8.30 a m and 4.10 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 11.30 a m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9.42 a m, Rowland 10.00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 6.10 p m, arrives Dillon 6.30 p m, Latta 6.44 p m, Pee Dee 7.08 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2.45 p m, Chadbourn 5.40 p m, arrive Hub 6.20 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6.42 p m, Manning 7.10 p m, arrive Lane's 7.48 p m, leave Lanes 8.36 a m, Manning 9.05 a m, arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.55 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 9.14 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.25 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.55 a m, arrive Darlington 9.28 a m, Cheraw 10.40 a m, Wadesboro 12.35 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.10 p m, arrive Darlington 8.40 p m, Hartsville 9.25 p m, Bennettsville 9.36 p m, Gibson 10 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 a m, arrive Darlington 9.27 a m, Hartsville 10.10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6.41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6.30 a m, arrive Darlington 7.15 a m, leave Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.15 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Cheraw 5.15 p m, Darlington 6.29 p m, arrive Florence 7.00 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 7 a m, Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.10 a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.10 p m, 11.10 p m, arrive Selma 3.00 p m, Smithfield 3.08 p m, Dunn 3.50 p m, Fayetteville 4.40 p m, 1.14 a m, Rowland 6.10 p m, returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.20 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 p m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.42 p m, 12.10 a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4.40 a m, Creston 5.33 a m, arrive Denmark 6.20 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4.55 p m, [illegible] 5.47 p m, Sumter 6.40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3.50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.45 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.45 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 6.05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliott 8.25 a m and 3.30 p m.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

J. R. KENLY, Gen'l Manager.

T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager. my 19 tf

W., N. & N. Railway

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND *6	NORTH BOUND †8	STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND †7	SOUTH BOUND *5
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
	3 00	Lv...Walnut street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	3 10	Lv....Surry street....Ar	12 30	3 25
9 50		Ar..Jacksonville.......Lv		12 05
11 00	3 58	Lv " Ar	10 42	10 25
11 58	4 30	Lv..Maysville..........Lv	10 09	9 18
12 30	4 44	Lv..Pollocksville......Lv	9 55	8 50
1 30	5 20	Ar..Newbern...........Lv	9 20	8 00
	P M		A M	

Nos. 5 and 6 mixed trains
Nos. 7 and 8 passenger trains.

Trains 8 and 7 p m make connection with trains on A. & N. C. R. R. for Morehead City and Beaufort.

Connection with Steamer Neuse at Newbern to and from Elizabeth City and Norfolk Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Steamer Geo D. Purdy makes daily trips between Jacksonville and New River points.

*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
‡Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
†Daily except Sunday.

H. A. WHITING, General Manager.

J. W. MARTENIS, Traffic Manager. my 22 tf

Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

Time Table.

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	3 Leave	STATIONS.	4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	4 Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 20	Goldsboro	11 25	....
....	4 12	Kinston	10 32	....
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 36
6 37	6 43	Morehead City	8 03	8 07
P. M	P M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.36 a m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points. S. L. DILL, Sup't.

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THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 29, 1897

CIVIL SERVICE RULES.

Amendments Concerning the Customs and Internal Revenue Promulgated by President McKinley.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—President McKinley has promulgated the following amendment to Civil Service Rule II:

"No removal shall be made from any position subject to competitive examination except for just cause and upon written charges filed with the head of the department or other appointing officer, and of which the accused shall have full notice and an opportunity to make defence."

He also amended Rule III so as to include within the classified service the employes of all custom house offices, without regard to the number of employes. Hitherto the classification embraced customs offices where the number of employes was five or more. This order brings into the classified service sixty-five hitherto unclassified customs offices.

The President has also amended Rule VI, making exceptions to examinations so as to read as follows: "Custom house service, one cashier in each customs district, one chief or principal deputy or assistant collector in each customs district, one principal deputy collector at each sub-port or station. Internal revenue service, one employe in each internal revenue district, who shall act as cashier or chief deputy or assistant collector, as may be determined by the Treasury Department; one deputy collector in each internal revenue district, where the number of employes in the office of the collector exceeds four; one deputy collector in each stamp or branch office. Appointments to positions named in this rule in the customs service and in the internal revenue service shall be subject to an examination to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, not disapproved by the commission, equal to the examination held by the commission for positions of like grade. Such examinations shall be conducted by the commission in accordance with its regulations."

The plan of the extension, which was formulated by Secretary Gage and Assistant Secretary Vanderlip, has the unqualified and hearty endorsement of the Civil Service Commission, who earnestly recommended to the President its approval. In speaking of the amendment, President Proctor, of the commission, said that the friends of civil service reform everywhere could congratulate themselves on this most important advance of the cause. The commission, in its last annual report, had said that Government officers should have the power of removal for proper reasons.

MARYLAND DEMOCRATS.

State Convention—Ticket Nominated—Points in the Platform.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, July 28.—Harmony of the old fashioned kind prevailed at the Democratic State Convent on here today and it was clearly demonstrated that United States Senator Gorman still has his hand on the lever that controls the movements of the organization. The candidates nominated by the convention were selected by him, and the resolutions adopted were of his inspiration. As chairman of the committee on resolutions he read the platform and read it in such a way as to indicate that he knew it almost without looking at it. At his suggestion, one of the candidates for comptroller withdrew when his nomination seemed assured, and another was taken up by the convention, and at his request both gold and silver men waived their convictions and voted to adopt a platform that declares for bimetallism, but is silent as to the vital question of "ratio."

The platform declares that the fundamental principles of Democracy remain unchanged; that the Democracy of Maryland believe now and always have believed, in "honest money," the gold and silver money of the constitution and the coinage of both metals without discrimination against either into standard dollars of final redemption, and asserts that the demand of more than six and one-half millions of Democratic voters forced President McKinley and a Republican Congress to send a commission abroad to negotiate with European countries for the restoration of bimetallism. The Dingley Tariff law is termed a more odious measure than the McKinley act of 1890, and it is asserted that it will be more signally condemned in 1898 than was the McKinley act in 1892. A demand is made that the United States Government take such action as will ameliorate the atrocities now being committed in Cuba and fully protect every American citizen there in the enjoyment of his life and property.

The following State ticket was nominated: For Comptroller, Theo. A. Smith, of Caroline county; Clerk of Court of Appeals, J. F. Ford, of St. Mary's county.

ARMOR PLATE.

Preliminary Steps Taken to Ascertain Cost of a Government Plant.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Secretary Long has taken the preliminary steps toward the creation of a board of naval officers to ascertain the cost of a Government armor plant. Two members of the board have been selected—Commodore Howell, commandant at the League Island navy yard, and Captain McCormick, of the Norfolk navy yard. Both of these officers are possessed of much technical knowledge and may be said to rank high as experts upon the subject of armor. The field of work of the board will be extensive; they must not only ascertain the cost of a modern armor plant but must also take into account the propriety, or rather the necessity, of establishing in connection with it a complete plant for the production of steel ingots, a very large undertaking.

L. C. Huffines was yesterday appointed postmaster at Oak Ridge, N. C.,

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COAL MINERS STRIKE.

THE OUTLOOK NOT ENCOURAGING FOR THE STRIKERS.

Breaks in the Ranks and a General Feeling of Discontent—Trouble Threatened Until Illinois Mines—Coal Operators' Conference Promulgates an Agreement.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, July 28.—The general strike situation is less encouraging from the miners' standpoint than it was a week ago. Breaks in the ranks of the river men and a general feeling of discouragement over the West Virginia situation have combined to quench enthusiasm in a remarkable degree. One prime factor in bringing back this condition of affairs is thought to be the action of the Wheeling convention in devising ways to stop coal shipments from the disputed territory. The issuance of long resolutions instead, was in the nature of a boomerang.

To-morrow morning will witness one of the most interesting and what some confidently predict to be the last mass meeting of the present strike. All efforts have been concentrated on DeArmit's mines and labor officials are to rally the men from all over the country. Eugene V. Debs and President Ratchford of the United Mine Workers will be among the chief speakers, while there will be a host of lesser officials and organizers.

ROANOKE, ILL., July 28.—The sheriff has wired Governor Tanner asking for troops to protect the mines and miners. The sheriff has sworn 50 deputies and has some special police, but is unable to procure a sufficient force to resist the 1 000 men marching here from several near-by towns. Great excitement prevails.

PITTSBURG, July 28.—The "true uniformity" conference of coal operators of the Pittsburg district concluded its work to-night at 9.15 o'clock, after a two days' session of close and persistent work. The twenty-one sections of the uniformity agreement were thoroughly discussed and adopted section by section. The best feeling prevailed throughout the meetings, the only exception being the bolting of Colonel Read at yesterday's session. Just previous to adjournment, however, Judge Owens announced that Col. Read had authorized him to state that any agreement the conference adopted would receive his hearty co-operation.

The agreement as adopted provides for cash payment of wages, 2,000 pounds to the ton, check weighmen on the tipples, miners to be credited with the full quantity of coal contained in the mine car, abolition of company stores, semi-monthly paydays, uniform price for picking mining in the thin and thick vein districts, and screens not exceeding 1¼ inches. It also provides that in case of violation of the provisions and terms of the agreement, a penalty of ten cents per ton on the total output of coal mined by the violator will be charged, which penalty is to be paid to a commission subject to the right of further arbitration or appeal. Said penalty, when collected, is to be distributed among the signers of the agreement, pro rata, in proportion to the total amount of tonnage or output made by them during the year.

The operators, with a few exceptions, want it distinctly understood that the passage of an agreement whereby all operators are to adopt a similar system and are to pay the same relative price for mining, has nothing to do with the great strike. They wish the miners to disabuse their minds of any such theories.

The operators have also shut out the miners' leaders from taking any part in the conferences that may take place through questions arising between the operators and miners, by inserting a clause in the agreement stating the commission shall be composed of workmen employed by the subscribers. Heretofore the miners' officials have represented the miners, but now the miners are to grapple with the questions in dispute alone. It was decided that present contracts could not be made the basis for arbitration.

AN ALABAMA TRAGEDY.

A Prominent Colored Man Killed by a Negro in a Row in a Negro Church at Montgomery.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MONTGOMERY, July 28.—In the First Baptist church (colored) here to-day, while the State Congress of Ministers was in session, Prof. P. H. Patterson, one of the leaders of his race in the South, a graduate of the University of Michigan, a teacher in the State Normal College, and a highly respected negro, was murdered at the altar.

The tragedy grew out of a bitter factional fight between the local negro Baptists over the expulsion of Rev. J. T. Brown from the pastorate of the Big church for alleged immoral conduct with a member of his flock. Patterson led the fight against him, and Rev. A. J. Stokes, pastor of another church, sided with Brown.

This morning when the State Congress convened, an argument between Stokes and Patterson over the Brown case resulted in a fist fight, when some negro from the crowd shot and killed Patterson.

The colored population is very much wrought up. This afternoon a posse composed of negroes captured George Pritchett, who had gone into the woods. He confessed to having done the shooting.

Preachers Stokes and Brown, Bracy and Branan and five other prominent negroes have been arrested. A conspiracy is alleged to have existed.

An investigation by the coroner was begun this afternoon, but has not been completed. The grand jury is being held in session to consider the case.

Lynching was talked of to-night, but there is every indication that the law will be allowed to take its course.

TEXAS AFFRAY.

Two Brothers Shot and Killed in a Broker's Office at Waco.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WACO, July 28.—In the stock brokerage office of C. E. Trice & Co. to-day, B. F. Kivett and W. W. Kivett were shot and killed by W. Lamden, a member of the firm. Bad feeling has existed between the Kivett brothers and Lamden for some time, growing out of charges made by the relatives of Lamden and a sister of the Kivetts. The shooting between the brothers and Lamden occurred during the busiest part of the day when the office was crowded and caused intense excitement. Two more of the Kivett brothers armed themselves and proceeded to the scene of the shooting, threatening to kill Lamden, but they were not allowed to enter. The killing is universally looked upon as justifiable.

About a month ago the Kivetts attempted to kill Lambden, inflicting a knife wound on him, and they had frequently threatened to kill him since then. This morning they appeared in the doorway of Trice & Co.'s office. Lamden was informed of their coming. As they appeared in the door they drew their pistols, but Lamden fired first with a shot-gun before they could shoot, killing B. F. Kivett instantly. W. W. Kivett rushed on Lambden with his revolver and as he pulled the trigger Lamden knocked the weapon up and then grabbed it. The men wrestled over the weapon; which Kivett succeeded in firing several times without result. Lamden finally succeeded in drawing his revolver and shooting Kivett three times. Lamden was uninjured.

BUILDING AND LOAN.

United States League of Associations in Session—Secretary's Report—National Building Association Denounced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DETROIT, MICH., July 28.—The United States League of Building and Loan Associations opened its fifth annual meeting to-day, with a fair attendance of all the States, about twenty in number, which have State leagues of local building associations. The secretary, H. F. Callarius, of Cincinnati, presented a comprehensive annual report. It showed that the total assets of the local building and loan associations of the United States now amount to $598,888,695, an increase of $18,760,980 during the past year. The total number of local associations in the several States is 4,776, their membership 1,610,809, an increase of 60,171 during the year. The highest proportionate gains were made in the eastern and central States, where building association interests are greatest, and the States showing a loss in assets are all located west of the Mississippi river, excepting the States of Illinois and Tennessee.

Thos. J. Fitzmorris, of the Omaha *Bee*, read an interesting paper on "The Fruits of National Methods" The paper was a denunciation of alleged riotous extravagance of some managers of national building associations. Within the last twenty years, he estimated, the people of this country have been robbed of $100,000,000 through the medium of four grades of swindles organized on the benevolent plan. "National building and loan associations," he proceeded, "differed from these frauds only in degree. The bear the mask of legitimate co-operation. Their promises are equally lavish and their performances as melancholy for shareholders. The result was that State after State enacted laws restricting their methods or prohibiting their operation. Graveyard insurance companies were highly respectable compared with these fraudulent national building associations."

VIRGINIA POPULISTS.

State Convention in Session at Roanoke—Platform Adopted—Nominations to be Made To-day.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROANOKE, July 28—Shortly after noon to-day the State convention of the Populist party of Virginia convened in the opera house here. The convention was called to order by J. Haskin Hobson, State chairman.

The committee on permanent organization, made the following report, which was adopted: Permanent chairman, Gen. James G. Field; permanent secretary, H. A. Muller, and assistant secretary, W. H. Tinsley.

Chairman Field made an address in which he eulogized Bryan and Daniel, when adjournment was taken until 8 p. m.

At 9 30 o'clock the chairman of the Committee of Platform presented their report. The platform endorses the national platform adopted at St. Louis in 1893, demands a perpetuation of manhood suffrage, inveighs against the use of money in elections and moneyed corporate influence over the action of Legislatures, courts and executive officers of the national and State governments; favors the immediate enactment of a non partisan election law; demands greater economy in State and county expenditures, reduction of taxes and the number of officers and salaries.

The report was unanimously adopted amid great enthusiasm.

Edward Cooke and R. V. Gaines were placed in nomination for Lieutenant Governor.

The convention was considerably divided and at 10 15 a motion to adjourn until 10 a. m. to-morrow prevailed.

The impression seems to be that the nomination for Governor will be tendered J. Hoge Tyler.

LUTHERAN SYNOD.

Fifth Biennial Session Convened in Baltimore—Opening Sermon by the President.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, July 28.—The fifth biennial session of the English Lutheran Synod of Missouri convened here this morning and will continue for one week. The Synod includes the States of Missouri, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Indiana, New York and the District of Columbia, and is the largest body in the Synodical conference in the United States.

The exercises are being held at Emanuel English Lutheran church, where the opening sermon was delivered this morning by the Rev. F. Kaegele president of the Synod, after which the Lord's Supper was solemnized.

The confessional address was delivered by the Rev. George Luecke, of Concordia College, Concord, N. C., and the balance of the day's session devoted to the reading and discussion of papers on "The Lutheran Church Policy," by Professor A. W. Meyer, of Winfield, Kansas, and "Divine Origin of the Bible," by the Rev. William Dallman, of this city.

During the Synod's sessions the following subjects will be discussed: Mission work, publication affairs, and the feasibility of starting a theological seminary in Winfield, Kansas.

RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

In Nevada and Kentucky—A Number of Persons Killed and Many Others Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RENO, NEV., July 28.—One of the worst wrecks in the history of the Central Railroad occurred this morning at Twenty-five-mile Hill, about six miles west of Reno. The engine was overturned and thrown to one side of the track, and the road is littered with the debris of baggage, express and mail cars reduced to kindling wood. Of fifteen Indians, who were riding on the blind baggage, six were killed and nearly all the remainder were more or less injured. Several others were hurt. The wreck was caused probably by rails spreading.

LOUISVILLE, KY., July 28.—At a late hour to-night it was learned from good authority that a passenger wreck had occurred on the St. Louis Air Line, near the Indiana and Illinois line. The wreck was caused by the displacement of a rail on a trestle. The engine and three cars jumped the track. Owing to the very isolated position of the wreck, particulars are hard to obtain, but it is reported that a number of persons were killed. A wrecking train has left New Albany for the scene of the wreck.

John Hart, a well known Baptist preacher, came to Tuscola, Ill., yesterday and placed himself in the hands of the sheriff, saying he had emptied two loads of shot into his uncle, Mason Caldwell. He says Caldwell ruined his daughter Madeline, aged fifteen years.

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DOUBLE MURDERER.

Sensational Developments at the Trial in Atlanta of Edward C. Flanagan.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., July 28.—Sensational developments marked the afternoon trial of Edward C. Flanagan, the double murderer, whose trial is now exciting the interest of the State. It developed this afternoon, as a result of the testimony of a dozen or more expert witnesses, that Flanagan has what is known as paranoia, known to the medical world as an insane passion for little girls. The defence showed that many times Flanagan had become wildly infatuated with girls under twelve years of age, proposing marriage to nearly every one he met. On one occasion he saw a little girl playing at the piano; he sent her a love-letter inclosing $500 in bills, begging her to become his wife when she became old enough. Many little girls testified that Flanagan proposed to them and begged them to become his wife. The trial is slowly drawing to a close. On account of the rapid progress being made with the trial it is not thought there will be any attempt to lynch the prisoner. A verdict is expected before the end of the week.

TENNESSEE COAL MINES

Purchased by an English Syndicate—The Price Approximates Five Millions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, July 28—Mr. Henry Taylor, the representative of the English syndicate which has an option on most of the coal mines in East Tennessee, arrived here at noon to-day. The deal is practically closed, only awaiting Mr. Taylor's inspection of the properties and final report. The price approaches five million dollars and the properties employ 3 000 miners and have an output of about 3 000 000 tons annually. The capitalists whom Mr. Taylor represents are partly from Boston and partly from England. The stock has already been taken and the bonds sold. Extensive improvements are contemplated in the mines and a railroad from Jellico to the sea is projected. Maj E. E. McCroskey, a prominent local coal man, has the Knoxville end of the deal and is showing Mr. Taylor over the properties.

MOBILE EXCITED.

An Old and Respected Citizen Murdered by a Negro—Local Militia Ordered Out to Prevent a Lynching.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MOBILE, ALA., July 28—Thomas Jones, an old and respected citizen living on Palmetto street, was murdered to-night by a negro named Josiah Davis. He was arrested and lodged in prison, where a great crowd gathered. Apprehending an attempt at lynching the local militia were ordered under arms, one company being stationed near at hand. The people in the southern part of the city are greatly excited over the affair.

Davis, a year ago, assaulted and badly injured an old man named Frohman.

WARM WIRELETS

The islands of Antigua, St Kitts and Guadeloupe, of the Leeward group, experienced a severe shock of earthquake at noon yesterday.

A dispatch from Athens says that the Sultan has instructed Tewfik Pasha, minister for foreign affairs, to sign the peace preliminaries on Saturday next.

It is stated that Colonel A. S. Buford will be urged before the Roanoke, Va., convention, for nomination for lieutenant governor on the Democratic ticket.

The British Colonial office has warned intending gold seekers that it will be useless to start for the Klondyke before Spring, as the journey is possible only in the Summer time.

William R. Valentine, a well-known Brooklyn newspaper man, who claimed to be the author of "Casey at the bat", died at Oyster Bay, L. I., aged 35 years, of abscess of the brain.

The British steamer Scandinavian, at Boston, reports running down and sinking the barkentine Florence, in a dense fog last Saturday. The captain's wife and four of the crew of the Florence were lost.

At Griggs mill, near Jarretts station, Va., yesterday, Mr. J. C. Martin, formerly of Philadelphia and Mrs. George C. Smith and son, aged 10, were drowned while fishing in a pond. Mrs. Smith was from Petersburg.

Captain General Weyler, it is announced, will take the field in a few days to personally direct the military operations in the Havana province against several bands of insurgents from fifty to two hundred strong.

General Stewart L. Woodford, United States minister to Spain, sailed from New York yesterday for the scene of his future duties. General Woodford was accompanied by his wife and daughter and by the members of the legation.

Rear Admiral J. R. Miller yesterday hauled down his flag from the cruiser Brooklyn, lying at Tompkinsville, S. I., and will leave at once for San Francisco to assume command of the Pacific station as soon as he can reach Hawaii.

The preliminary report of the commissioner of internal revenue for the year ended June 30th, 1897, shows that the total receipts during that period were $146 619 508, a decrease as compared with the previous year of $911,106.

A telegram from Starke Fla., gives details of the suicide by poison of Henry Crosby, who had recently come there ostensibly for the purpose of starting an extensive turpentine business. It is supposed that despondency at the failure of his plans caused the act.

President McKinley left Washington yesterday for a vacation that may keep him away from the city for six weeks. He was accompanied by Mrs McKinley, Secretary and Mrs. Alger, Mr. Porter, assistant Private Secretary Pruden and Executive Clerk Cortelyou.

State Department officials say that no new issue is presented by the seizure of Palmyra island by the British, reported some days ago by an incoming vessel, for Great Britain has maintained claim to the island for the past nine years. The island is rock in the Pacific, distant a thousand miles from Hawaii.

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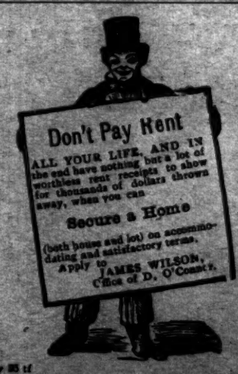
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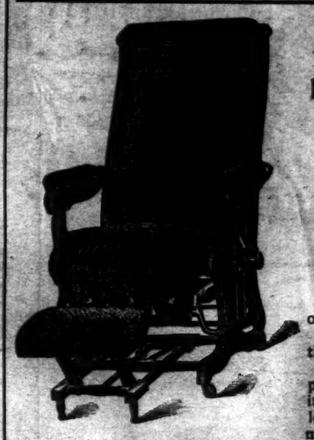

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Bank Building	23,000 00	Surplus	11,500 00
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer	2 250 00	Undivided Profits	1,015 69
U. S. Bonds	50,000 00	Dividends Unpaid	330 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	5,457 50	Circulation	45,000 00
Stocks, Securities, etc.	4,500 00	Deposits	273,823 48
Over Drafts	89 14		
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Cash and Reserve	125,687 15		
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JAMES G. SWANN, jy 9 6t Administrator.